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Gentlemen,

Thank you for your interest in the critical situation involving our community in Quixio.

My husband, our children and myself bought acreage and moved to Quixio in 1978. He wanted to live in an area where we could raise our family and teach them responsibility as well as enjoying wildlife and nature. We had a 330 foot well dug. This is our only source of water, for our cattle, wildlife and us. Volcan materials wants to develop a quarry about 1 mile from our property and put in a railroad. We are concerned about the blasting that would affect our water supply. Not only that, but the dust from the quarry and trucks driving up and down our road would affect not only our breathing but the wildlife and our animals as well. The train would also cause noise and scare the wildlife and be very disruptive to us as well as our cattle.

The railroad would cross the roads we use to go to San Antonio and Castroville.

With a train running back and forth, it would not only pollute the air but stop traffic. Emergency vehicles as well as the school busses and regular traffic would be affected.

Quiche is a historical community and with the blasting from the quarry area would affect the natural flowing of the rivers and creeks. This could destroy many of the historic sites.

The had moved to this area with the intention of staying here until we died. It's sad to think a big corporation like Volcan could come and ruin our lovely community.

Thank you for letting me share my concerns with you. Any help you could give us would be greatly appreciated.

Very truly Yours
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